HONORARIA TO MEMBERS TO THE LEGISLATURE.

President: The question of the grant of allowance to members of the Houses of Legislature was again considered by Government. Having ascertained the sense of both the Chambers of the Legislature, Government have come to the decision that every non-official member of either Chamber may be paid an honorarium of Rs. 1,000 per annum.

STATEMENT *re* PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF COMPOST MANURE.

President: In aid of the 'Grow More Food Compaign'Government desire that all possible efforts should be made to produce compost manure. It is equally necessary that arrangements should be made for distribution of the compost manure among the cultivators through the Department of Agriculture. Government have, therefore, decided to grant a subsidy, at a rate which will be prescribed, to Municipalities which produce compost manure and to Agricultural Associations and organisations or Co-operative Societies which undertake distribution of such compost manure among cultivators. Manure Depots opened by the Agricultural Department will take over the production from the Municipalities and will distribute the manure among the Agricultural Associations or other organisations and Co-operative Societies.

I am placing this before the House so that the honourable members when they go back to their constituencies may make this clear. It is a matter of great importance to the agricultural population.

STATEMENT *re* CANDIDATURE TO COMMITTEES.

Mr. N. Narayana Kurup: I wish to make a statement with regard to the candidature to these Committees. The names of the candidates for any committee or all committees should be proposed so as to avoid voting for members who never desire to contest. We see that even one vote is being recorded in the name of some honourable members who never stood as a candidate. This ought to be avoided.

President: There is a special procedure prescribed for revising the Standing Orders so that the matter has to be considered in accordance with that procedure.

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